# **Public Notice – Environmental Project**

#### **PURPOSE OF NOTICE:**

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in the City of Norfolk, Virginia.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

May 14, 2010 to June 11, 2010

## **TYPE OF RESPONSE:**

**Federal Consistency Determination** 

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal demolition project to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

#### NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

DOD/U.S. Navy

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The U.S. Navy (Navy) intends to demolish the Mason Creek Bridge (Structure LP-69) at Naval Station Norfolk in the City of Norfolk. The Mason Creek Bridge was built in 1940 as a vehicle bridge and has reached the end of its useful life. The bridge is located on the east side of the base at Willoughby Bay. The demolition will involve the removal of approximately 32,000 square feet of steel framed bridge decking (10-inch thick concrete slab); 24 steel and concrete piles and concrete pile caps; utility piping and high pressure steam line and accessories; concrete steam poles; 15,500 square feet of a three-inch layer of gravel; plastic weed barrier; and 1,500 linear feet of 6X6 timber landscaping border. An existing bulkhead and concrete cap will remain at the west end of the project site. The Navy has submitted a Federal Consistency Determination that finds the proposed action consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (previously called the Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program).

## **HOW TO COMMENT:**

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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